1984-85, from the sale of Platform tickets was as under:—

Year	Amount
1983-84 . . .	Rs. 3 14 Crores.
1984-85 . . .	Rs. 5·21 Crores.

Effect of coffee Drinking on Heart

2356. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Governrnent are aware of ^he fact that a study done at the Johns Hopkins University (U.S.A.) has almost conclusively proved that coffee drinking is bad for heart;

(b) whether Gvernment have #ot such a research done in the country, if so, its findings; and

(c) *ti* ***nfi^,*** whether, Government will now consider the desirability of undertaking such a study in Ihe country?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI KRISHNAKUMAR): (a) It has been reported that excessive coffee drinking (more than 8 cups a day) is an independent risk factor for coronary heart disease.

(b) and (c) The Indian Council of Medical Research, an Autonomou* organisation under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, '..r*#er-*took* a research study on stroke and IHD in young people in which coffee was included as one of the risk factors. However no significant association was observed by the Council.

Establishment of a National testing Service

2359. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will' the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) wheher the Association of the Indian Universities has proposed the establishment of a Nationa] Testing Service as a part of the series of the measures to reconstruct the educational system; and

(b) if so, what is Government reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCAT ION AND CULTURE (SMT. SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) The Association has proposed the establish ment of a National Testing Service for developing tests and examinations for selection of students for admission to specialised courses and facul ties and providing services to colleges and institutions in administer- ing such examinations, or developing their own tests, etc.

(b) No decision has been taken on the proposal made by the Association of Indian Universities.

Committee for examination of the historical works

2360. SHRI 'DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whetheri Go-ernment propose to set up any committee of expert

I to re-examine our historical works;

(b) if so. by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?